

Letter from Henry Wadsworth Longfellow to Mabel Hubbard Bell, April 28, 1876, with transcript

Copy of Letter from Henry W. Longfellow. Envelope bears the address — Miss Mabel Hubbard, Brottlet Street. As No postage stamp is attached it may have been delivered by a messenger. Original on file in "Dr. Bell's Room" Camb, April 28. 1876. Dear Miss Hubbard,

I ought sooner to have thanked you for you lovely roses; but as they are still in bloom upon my table it is not too late even now.

I never saw roses more beautiful. They would persuade me, if I were not already persuaded, that the Rose is the Queen of Flowers.

In return I can send you only an autograph, but as Anne tells me you desired to have one, I shall hope it will not be unwelcome.

With many thanks and good wishes.

Yours very truly, Henry W. Longfellow.